



St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School

PREP TO YEAR 6

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

25th January 2018

When Gabby Lindeman joined our staff, I was envious of her lunches. She would frequently be eating the most wonderful pasta dishes, while I would be left with my sandwich (if I had remembered to bring it to school).

When I enquired who was responsible for these feasts, she told me about family meals which her Nonna and Nonno prepared and hosted each week for the whole family. I asked eagerly if any left overs from these family events, could be put in a container and brought for my lunch. Gabby politely refused, but did offer to introduce me to Gino and Emelia, who in their 80s actually made their own pasta and sold it to a number of boutique restaurants.

I had no choice but to get to know them well. From the moment you came through the front door of their house you were welcome, as if we had known each other for ever. They would show the current pasta batch drying in their pasta room, and then after arguing about the price (they would never accept proper payment for their beautiful product) it was always to the dining room for biscotti and brewed coffee. The conversation was never for less than an hour, and then there was always the invitation to stay for dinner.

Over time I got to meet more of the family, and I just loved the closeness, which had so obviously been nurtured by Gino and Emilia.

I was greatly saddened to learn that Gino had passed away on January 15th and I was privileged to attend his funeral last Friday morning.

His children, Enio and Ivana delivered the eulogy. I loved his story. His family was clearly his greatest legacy, and I just absolutely admire the lessons he taught them.

"He taught us a lot by setting a great example. Always work hard.... Take care of your family..... Treat people with respect.... Be generous andGive everything your best shot....

He set the bar pretty high but he was always proud of us and supported us no matter what we did.

It was in how Gino lived, that he inspired his family. "He taught us a lot by setting a great example." It is great advice for us all. If we want to influence and set our children up for the future, how we ourselves live, is vitally important.

Parent Sessions

Thanks so much for supporting the Resilience Parent Night. Great crowd from our school, and we all learned something about how we can live well and support our children. We know how busy people are, and we continue to be mindful of your time as we plan school events. For this reason, we have again this year, placed Parent Information videos for each year level on our website. They contain all of the information pertinent to your child's year level, and you can view them easily and at a convenient time.

Mark Fox

KEY DATES FOR WEEK 2

- Monday—No Parish Mass
- Tuesday -Thursday Morning Prayer 8.40am—5B
- Friday—Opening School Liturgy and Year 6 Induction 9.00am—6L
- Friday—No Assembly



*Friday 2nd February
Opening School Liturgy and
Year 6 Induction*

9.00am



Click our school crest to go our school website calendar.



Click the facebook icon to go to our school facebook page.



Click the Parish logo to go to the Parish Newsletter.



Click the Centacare logo to go the Group Programs Calendar.

ADMINISTRATION NEWS



ADMINISTRATION CARPARK

Parking in the Mulgrave Street Administration Carpark is for staff only. This carpark has been specifically designed for a Pick Up and Drop Off Zone and Parents are not to park in this area from 7:45am – 8:45am and 2:45pm – 3:30pm, as parking and reversing severely disrupts the Pick Up and Drop Off process during these times. The only exception to this is for our families who use our designated Disabled Parks in the staff carpark.

ADULT TOILETS

Visiting adults and toddlers **ARE NOT TO USE** student toilets within St Patrick's during school hours or while attending school functions after school hours (e.g. Welcome Dance Night). If you require toilet facilities while on campus during school hours, then please seek direction from Administration staff to use the staff toilets in A Block. If attending a school function after school hours, then the Church Hall toilet facilities will be made available for adult and toddler use. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of our students.



SCHOOL ACCESS

External pedestrian gates on George Street, Powers Street and Mulgrave Street will be locked at 9.30am and opened at 2.50pm. School access between these times is only via through the school office on Mulgrave Street. Your cooperation and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated to ensure and enhance the safety of all our students.



ABSENTEES

Any student absentees should be notified to the office by 9am each day. Students arriving later than 8.40am should enter through the office to collect a late slip for the classroom teacher. If no notification has been received, an absentee text message will be sent out to parents each morning to advise the student absence.

Preferred method for absentee notifications is to email

absentees@saintpatricks.qld.edu.au

SPORTS UNIFORM DAYS

Please make note of the days indicated in which each class is required to wear the school's sports uniform. All students will wear the school's sports uniform on Friday as well as their allocated PE day. On all other days of the week the school's formal uniform is to be worn. The exception is PREP who will wear the sports uniform every day.

Year 6, Year 5 & 4L :
Years 3, Year 2 & 4W:
Year 1 & 4C:

Tues & Fri
Wed & Fri
Thurs & Fri



FINANCE NEWS

Information for new families and a reminder to existing families.

Fees

Invoice/Statements are emailed to families by end of second week of each term and are payable within 14 days unless you have a regular payment plan in place. In order to keep St Patrick's Catholic Primary School fees to a minimum, it is imperative that all of our accounts are paid on time. Contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies to establish a payment plan and/or confirm whether you have a direct debit plan you wish to amend and/or continue in 2018. **DIRECT DEBIT PLANS ARE NOT NECESSARILY AUTOMATICALLY CARRIED FORWARD TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR.** Other payment options are outlined in the attached document.



If you have a valid government concession card, please present this to the Finance Secretary to receive your entitlement of 70% discount on tuition fees. Should you have any queries regarding your account, please contact Finance Secretary Maria Davies at spbg_finance@rok.catholic.edu.au or on 4152 1380 or call into the office at any time.

Student Banking

Student banking will continue each Monday. Click on this link to register your child <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html> for student banking.

Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.

This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarmites on a Super Savers adventure, developing strong savings skills. School Banking encourages children to learn the value of saving and rewards those who demonstrate a regular savings behaviour.

New Super Savers reward items.
Introducing an exciting new range of reward items with two released every term.
Available in Term 1:
• Twister Power Handball
• Secret Scratch Notepad.
Your child can redeem one of these rewards, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Remember, with the Commbank Youth app, it's easy for your child to monitor the Dollarmites tokens they earn when making School Banking deposits and track their savings. Available to download from the App Store on any iOS+ device.

A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.
Students who truly are Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, staying 7 nights at the Sheraton Waikiki Resort, plus AU\$2,000 spending money.
To enter, students simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers Grand Prize Competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or explore fun activity sheets for your child, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Get ready for a Super Savers adventure

This year, the Dollarmites are stationed in their superhero headquarters, ready to start a Super Savers adventure with students participating in School Banking.

There's eight new Super Savers reward items for students to select from when redeeming their 10 silver Dollarmites tokens. These include a handball, scratch pad, glow light, flying disc, glitter pens, heat-reactive pencils and a slushie maker cup.

Available in Term 1 is the Twister Power Handball and Secret Scratch Notepad.

TUCKSHOP NEWS



CHECK OUT OUR MENU

Find out more here



Monday to Thursday



Read with Me

parent volunteers

If you are interested in assisting students with classroom reading, we would love your help.

Please contact Mrs Terry Whan in Learning Support on

terry_whan@rok.catholic.edu.au



OUT AND ABOUT



Resilient Kids Workshop

The Workshop

Kids Resilience is for children aged between 8 to 12 years old. During 5 weekly workshops, children will to learn about resilience, what affects their resilience and how to build their strengths.

Topics:

- What is Resilience and How to Build Resilience
- Importance of Self Esteem
- How to Develop Self Esteem
- Feelings and How to Express Them
- Bullying, Cyber Bullying and Online Safety
- Positive Relationships
- Finding your Strengths

Resilient Kids offers the opportunity to interact, have fun and learn practical skills.



Dates: This course is run over 5 consecutive weeks – Every Wednesday from the 21st of February to the 21st of March, 2018.
Location: CentacareCQ – Conference Room: 79 Woongarra Street, Bundaberg 4670
Time: 3:30pm – 5:00pm (afternoon tea provided)
Cost: \$30 per child, for entire course.

To register or for more information:
 Please call 1300 523 985 or email registrations@centacareca.com

COME AND TRY DAYS



HELPING TO DEVELOP

- FOOTBALL SKILLS
- INTRODUCE DRIBBLING & PASSING
- SKILLS OF THE GAME.

5 - 8 YR OLD BOYS AND GIRLS
SATURDAY'S
 3RD, 10TH, 17TH & 24TH FEBRUARY
9AM-10,30AM
 FARTHING PARK, 25 MARKS STREET
 BUNDBAERG NORTH

\$20 REGISTRATION FOR EACH PLAYER
 TO BE DEDUCTED FROM 2018 FEES

ENQUIRIES TO - MARK HASTER
 0407 139 369
 FIONA BATH
 0417 346 627

REGISTRATIONS -
 VIA UPEFC FACEBOOK PAGE
 CONTACTUPEFC@GMAIL.COM



TERM ONE PLANNER

WEEK 1	Week 22nd January—26th January		
Monday	First Day of Term		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday— Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	
Friday	AUSTRALIA DAY		
WEEK 2	Week 29th January—2nd February		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday— Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5B
Friday	Opening School Liturgy and Year 6 Induction	9.00am	6L
	No Assembly and No Awards		
WEEK 3	Week 5th February—9th February		
Monday	Parish Mass	9.00am	Yr 5 Yr 4 Yr 3 Yr 1
Tuesday—Thursday	Tuesday to Thursday— Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5P
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	5B
	Awards Only	11.45am	
WEEK 4	Week 12th February—16th February		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday	PUPIL FREE DAY		
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	8.40am	6R
Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	
Friday	No Liturgy		
	Awards Only	11.45am	
WEEK 5	Week 19th February—23rd February		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	5W
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	3K
	Project Compassion and Caritas (Mini Vinnies)		
WEEK 6	Week 26th February—2nd March		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3ST
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	3C
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	5P
WEEK 7	Week 5th March—9th March		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3K
Friday	Classroom Liturgy	8.45am	5W
	Class Assembly and Awards	10.25am	3ST
WEEK 8	Week 12th March—16th March		
Monday	Parish Mass - St Patrick's Day	9.00am	Whole school
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	3C
Friday	St Patrick's Day Mass	9.00am	6B
	No Assembly or Awards		
WEEK 9	Week 19th March—23rd March		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday—Thursday	Courtyard Prayer	8.40am	6R
Friday	No Liturgy		
	Palm Sunday	10.25am	4C & 4W
WEEK 10	Week 26th March - 30th March		
Monday	No Parish Mass		
Tuesday	Last Supper	8.40am	4L
Wednesday	Good Friday	8.40am	Yr 5
Thursday	Easter Liturgy	9.00am	Yr 6 & Prep
	Easter Hat Parade	10.15am	Prep to Yr 3
	Mini Fair	11.00am - 12.15pm	
Friday	GOOD FRIDAY		